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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE WASHDC FROM GEORGETOWN JUN 15
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QUOTE

GEORGETOWN 0863

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SUBJECT: CARIBBEAN SAR CONFERENCE

REF: GEORGETOWN 0862

1. RECEIVED FOLLOWING NOTE FROM GOG:

QUOTE THE MINISTRYNOF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GUYANA... HAS THE
HONOUR TO REQUEST THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE U. S. VIRGIN
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ISLANDS AND PUERTO RICO BE INFORMED THAT THE EIGHT CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES HELD IN GEORGETOWN, GUYANA FROM 9 TH TO 13 TH APRIL, GAVE CONSIDERATION TO THE QUESTION OF MAINTENANCE OF ADEQUATE SEARCH AND RESCUE SERVICE IN THE CARIBBEAN CONSEQUENT UPON THE DECISION OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO WITHDRAW, DURING THIS YEAR, ITS LONG- RANGE AIRCRAFT OF THE COASTGUARD BASED IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO...

IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MATTER FOR THE ENTIRE CARIBBEAN REGION IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT AN APPROACH SHOULD BE MADE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN AREA AND NEIGHBOURING SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES WITH A VIEW TO REACHING SOME AGREEMENT ON THE UTILIZATION OF THEIR SEARCH AND RESCUE FACILITIES TO ASSIST MEMBER TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN AND THAT A CONFERENCE OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED BE HELD URGENTLY TO DISCUSS AND FORMULATE AN OVERALL ACCEPTABLE PLAN FOR THE REGION...

A CONFERENCE ON THIS MATTER IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN TRINIDAD ON JULY 26-28, 1973 AND AN INVITATION WILL BE FORWARDED SHORTLY... UNQUOTE

2. PLEASE ADVISE ON PARTICIPATION OF VIRGIN ISLANDS AND PUERTO RICO IN PROPOSED CONFERENCE. SHERRY UNQUOTE ROGERS

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